



## Arthur Bard

February 7, 1937 - January 3, 2007

BARD, Mr. Arthur (Joe) - Age 69, passed away Wednesday, January 3, 2007 at Hurley Medical Center. Family hour 10AM Tuesday, January 9, 2007 at Christ Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church, 317 E. Hamilton Ave., with funeral service commencing at 11AM. Dr. Leroy Shelton officiating. Interment Flint Memorial Park Cemetery, G-9506 N. Dort Hwy. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10AM Tuesday. Mr. Bard will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed from 12Noon-8PM Monday with preferred visitation from 5PM-7:30PM. Mr. Arthur Lester (Joe) Bard was born February 7, 1937 in Greenville, Kentucky to Reverend James A. Bard, Sr. and Sarah D. Bard. After graduating from Drakesboro Community High School in 1957, he went on to serve in the United States Army in which he was Honorably Discharged. In 1963, he moved to Flint, Michigan and was initially employed at Mead Containers. He furthered his career at Chevrolet Truck and Bus Flint Assembly where he retired after twenty-nine years of service. After moving to Flint, he met Martha Jo Coleman in 1964. They were united in holy matrimony on May 29, 1965. They were blessed with three wonderful children; Stephen, Christopher and Marlissee. Mr. Bard was an outstanding athlete and was named to the All-Tournament Team for the Kentucky High School Athletic League in 1957. Joe especially enjoyed coaching and mentoring children of all ages. He developed a passion for golf at the age of 15 when he became a caddy. Joe took great pleasure in playing the game of golf with family and

friends for over 40 years. Mr. Arthur L. (Joe) Bard leaves to cherish his memory: loving wife of 41 years, Martha and four children: Stephen (Lynnann) of Henderson, NV, Christopher (Nicole) of Grand Rapids, MI, Marlisse (Gregory) of Appleton, WI and Katrinka (Leondis) of Lakewood, CA; 10 grandchildren, Brianna, David, Kevin, Jericka, Nicholas, Madison, Bryce, Morgan, Payton and Ryan; one great-grandchild, Andre; sisters, Jane Joiner, Sarah Johnson, and Mary (William) Harriford all of Flint; brothers, Lenzell (Barbara) of Evansville, IN and Benzell (Esther) of Beaver Dam, KY; mother and father-in-law, Robert and Mattie Coleman; sisters-in-law, Bobbie Bard and LaVerne Dawkins; brother-in-law, Robert Coleman, Jr.; god-daughter, Alissa Bard-Wilson; a host of nieces, nephews and close family friends. Mr. Bard was preceded in death by his parents, Rev. James A. Bard, Sr. and Sarah D. Bard; brothers, Wallace (Rudy) and James (Pete); sister, Maggie Louise Billings; son, Cedric DuBenion. The family wishes to express their sincere gratitude to the numerous family and friends that have expressed so much love, help, concern and comfort during this difficult time. A special thank you is extended to Dr. P Sharman and Dr. J. Fahrner for their care.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Arthur Bard*

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October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *My heartfelt sympathy is with you and your family. I found out soon after my mothers passing. May God give your family the strength to carry on. God Bless you!*

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**Martone (Pyatt) Hatter** - January 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *Saying good bye means you'll never see their smiles, feel their hugs and talk for a while.  
When the good byes are all said and done, all you feel you have left, are the full wells of tears that swells your eyes.  
But if you stop crying and dry your eyes, you'll see you have God at your waist side.  
Waiting to hold your hand, caress your heart because He knows of the one you loved so very much, and now your set apart.  
Saying good bye does sadden ones heart, but remember with God's love, your never really to far.*

*I Love You Uncle Joe..Please say Hello to Daddy and Princess.*

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**Angela (Bard) Towner** - January 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ *Martha, I was sorry to hear of your loss. In times like these it is Wonderful Memories of our departed loved ones, Family, Friends and Prayer that sustain us.*

*I remember the many times your family has been there for the Raglon's! I'm so sorry that I can't be there today but, You and your family are in my heart and in my Prayers.*

*God Bless You...*

*Marvin Raglon*

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**Marvin Raglon** - January 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ *May God continue to bless you and your family Remember the Lord will give you the strength you need to get through this time in your life. For those who have not accept the Lord as your personal Savior this is a good time to do so. God love you and I do to.*

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**Cedric Townsel** - January 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ *To Aunt Martha & Family,*

*My deepest sympathy goes out to you and the family. When I met you and Uncle Joe. I just want you to know that I Love each of you and you will always be in my daily prayers. May God continue to Bless You and the family.*

*Tina (Bard) Fant*

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**Tina (Bard) Fant** - January 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ *Martha and Children and the entire family, we love you all and we are praying for you.*

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**Aunt Corine Joseph & Family** - January 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ *Grand Dad,  
You were the only Grandfather that I ever knew or had. I remember the first time that I met you, was when I went out to Michigan the summer of 1992. You and Uncle Chris were the first ones to teach me and my brother Kevin how to play golf; We haven't stop playing since. I remembered how Gram and Aunt Marlisse would make me drink my milk everyday, because I hated milk back then, but you would let me slide every now and then at dinner. After being with you and the family for that summer vacation, I never wanted to leave.*

*Gram, Aunt Marlisse, Uncle Chris and Steve I love you all. You treated me as a grand son and nephew and not some outsider who was there just to visit. You treated me with love. Unconditional love that only a family of God understands.*

*Kimberly and I were so blessed to have Grand Dad, Gram, and Aunt Bobbie come out to our wedding. Kim was able to see first hand why we loved our Grand Dad and Gram so much. They were the grandparents that every grand child wanted.*

*Family, I just want you to know that we love you all. Grand dad is in a better place now with no more pain looking down over us.*

*We love you,  
David and Kimberly Word*

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**David and Kimberly Word** - January 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AT

“ *On the Other Side:*

*Death is a gateway we all must pass through  
To reach that fair land where the soul's born anew,  
For man's born to die, and his sojourn on earth  
Is a short span of years beginning with birth.  
And like pilgrims we wander until Death takes our hand  
And we start on the journey to God's Promised Land-  
A place where we'll find no suffering or tears,  
Where time is not counted in days, months, or years.  
And in that fair city that God has prepared  
Are unending joys to be happily shared  
With all of our loved ones who patiently wait  
On death's other side to open the gate.*

*God Bless and Keep you Aunt Martha and Family...He will never put  
more on you than you can bear..*

*With all Our Love,*

*Keep the Faith*

*God is Able*

*Angela, Eric and Marcus (Mighty)*

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**Angela (Bard) Towner** - January 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM